

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 12-13, 18-26 and 32-33 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 27-31 are canceled to place the application in condition for allowance. No new matter is added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-6, 12-13, 18-26 and 32-33 contain allowable subject matter.

35 U.S.C. §112 Rejection

Claims 27-31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly not complying with the written description requirement.

Without acquiescing to the propriety of the rejection, claims 27-31 are canceled and the rejection of these claims is thus moot.

Concluding Remarks

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-6, 12-13, 18-26 and 32-33 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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